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The Book of Ice

all that remains of Zechariah

a day
is coming
when you
will
fight against
the LORD
fight against
his feet
and
flee
flee as you fled from
the holy
sunlight
in frosty darkness

living
winter
will become
the plague

flesh will rot on their feet eyes will rot in their mouths

no rain no rain

do not celebrate the punishment

do notcelebratewill be inscribed on the bells of the horses

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